

Who we are:

The Department of Environment and Conservation exists to enhance the quality of life for citizens of Tennessee and to be stewards of our natural environment.

We foster a work environment that's inclusive as well as diverse, where our people can be themselves. Every idea and perspective is valued so that our culture reflects the people we serve.

Our Department is committed to providing a cleaner, safer environment that goes hand-in-hand with economic prosperity and increased quality of life in Tennessee. We deliver on our mission by managing regulatory programs that maintain air, water, and soil quality standards while assisting businesses and communities in areas ranging from recreation to waste management. We manage the state park system and programs to inventory, interpret, and protect Tennessee's rich natural, historical, and archaeological heritage.

About the Tennessee State Parks:

From its beginning in 1937, Tennessee State Parks were established to protect and preserve Tennessee's unique natural, cultural, and historic resources. The public interest has also been served by a variety of benefits for citizens and communities produced by our state park system, promoting stronger communities and healthier citizens across the state through diverse resource-based recreation while conserving the natural environment for today and tomorrow – preserving authentic Tennessee places and spaces for future generations to enjoy. As stewards of the resources in our parks, we seek to manage Tennessee's state parks to preserve and protect valued resources and provide a balance of services and benefits for the enjoyment of the people.



Park Ranger 1 Panther Creek State Park Annual Salary Range: \$42,504 - \$63,600

Are you looking for an opportunity to work with Tennessee State Parks? Our Tennessee State Parks are among the most beautiful parks in the United States. This position is located at Panther Creek State Park in Morristown, Tennessee. The park consists of 1,444 acres bordering beautiful Cherokee Lake. The park offers a 28-mile trails system, 50-site campground, boat ramp, professional disc-golf course, game courts, picnic areas and pavilions. Panther Creek is most noted as a popular destination for hiking, mountain biking, camping and water-based recreation. This is an outstanding opportunity to work in a beautiful, natural environment.

Preferred candidates will have one or more years of law enforcement, public safety or natural resource protection experience and are willing to work a flexible schedule, including evenings, weekends, and holidays. To be considered for this position, you must have a bachelor's degree with preferred degrees in: Criminal Justice, Public Safety, Law Enforcement, or Wildlife and Fisheries Management. It is also required the candidate be a state commissioned officer recognized by the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy or is willing to become commissioned. Candidates must meet the minimum qualifications (MQ) for this position. For MQs and how to apply, please visit: <http://www.tn.gov/careers>.

Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Manage assigned operational responsibilities and assist park team with management and care of all operations and visitor services.
- Perform law enforcement and public safety activities to ensure park visitors adhere to state laws and park rules.
- Participate in emergency search and rescue operations and provide basic first aid as needed.
- Manage safety and security operations including monthly safety meetings, inspections, reporting, training, evidence management and safety supply inventories.
- Provide monthly interpretive programming opportunities for the public and community groups and organize and conduct special park events.
- Engage in both cultural and natural resource management projects.
- Work effectively with and support all volunteer organizations that support the park.
- Assist with community outreach programs and partner with local businesses, schools, and area officials to promote the park and impact economic development.

State of Tennessee's Workplace Discrimination and Harassment policy, the State is firmly committed to the principle of fair and equal employment opportunities for its citizens and strives to protect the rights and opportunities of all people to seek, obtain, and hold employment without being subjected to illegal discrimination and harassment in the workplace. It is the State's policy to provide an environment free of discrimination and harassment of an individual because of that person's race, color, national origin, age (40 and over), sex, pregnancy, religion, creed, disability, veteran's status, or any other category protected by state and/or federal civil rights laws.